

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Lucas et al. CONFIRMATION NO.: 7282
SERIAL NO.: 10/619,652 GROUP NO.: 3728
FILING DATE: July 15, 2003 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned
TITLE: Full Length Cartridge Cushioning System

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. In accordance with the U.S. Patent Office's partial waiver of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(i), only copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent publications are enclosed.

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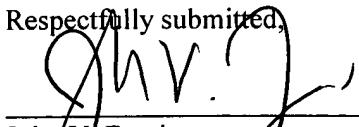
It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

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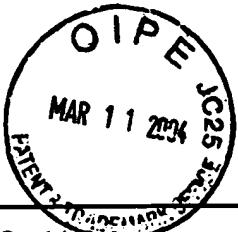
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	A110	Des. 344,174	02/15/94	Kilgore				
	A111	Des. 355,755	02/28/95	Kilgore				
	A112	4,139,187	02/13/79	Hanusa				
	A113	4,224,774	09/30/80	Petersen				
	A114	4,314,413	02/09/82	Dassler				
	A115	4,354,318	10/19/82	Frederick et al.				
	A116	4,616,431	10/14/86	Dassler				
	A117	4,771,544	09/20/88	Hannemann				
	A118	4,843,741	07/04/89	Yung-Mao				
	A119	4,874,640	10/17/89	Donzis				
	A120	4,876,053	10/24/89	Norton et al.				
	A121	5,052,130	10/01/91	Barry et al.				
	A122	5,191,727	03/09/93	Barry et al.				
	A123	5,279,051	01/18/94	Whatley				
	A124	5,353,528	10/11/94	Demardhi				
	A125	5,544,431	08/13/96	Dixon				
	A126	5,560,126	10/01/96	Meschan et al.				
	A127	5,615,497	04/01/97	Meschan				
	A128	5,644,857	07/08/97	Ouellette et al.				
	A129	5,806,210	09/15/88	Meschan				
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	A132	5,937,544	08/17/99	Russell			
	A133	5,937,545	08/17/99	Dyer et al.			
	A134	5,970,628	10/26/99	Meschan			
	A135	5,983,529	11/16/99	Serna			
	A136	5,996,260	12/07/99	MacNeill			
	A137	6,050,002	04/18/00	Meschan			
	A138	6,195,916	03/06/01	Meschan			
	A139	6,237,251	05/29/01	Litchfield et al.			
	A140	6,324,772	12/04/01	Meschan			
	A141	6,487,796	12/03/02	Avar et al.			
	A142	6,568,102	05/27/03	Healy et al.			
	A143	6,604,300	08/12/03	Meschan			
	A144	6,662,471	12/16/03	Meschan			
	A145	2002/0078601	06/27/02	Alfond et al.			
	A146	2002/0129516	09/19/02	Lucas et al.			
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	B18	WO 95/20333	08/03/95	PCT					Y
	B19	WO 97/13422	04/17/97	PCT					Y
OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.									
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2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
3. Form PTO-1449 (3 pages) along with cited references B16-B19;
4. and a return receipt postcard.

**TRANSMITTAL
FORM**



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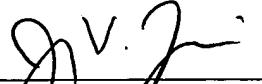
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